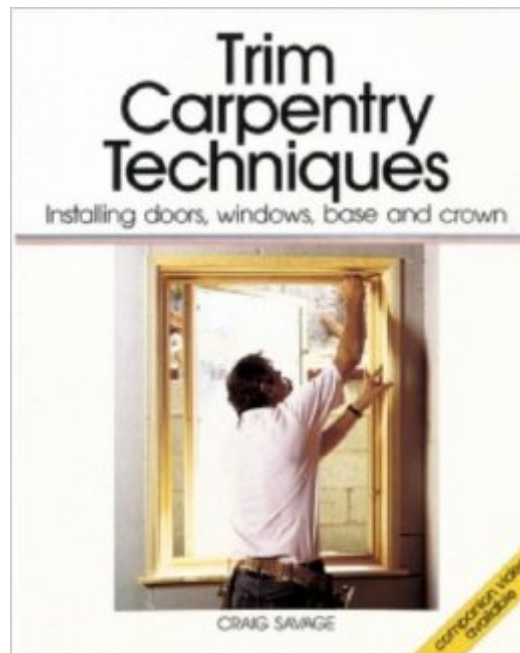# Trim Carpentry Techniques: Installing Doors, Windows, Base And Crown (For Pros By Pros)

Synopsis

Once you are done framing and sheetrocking your new or remodeled home, your are ready to tackle the trimwork. The door and window casings, baseboard and crown moldings, and other details that give the interior of your home reflect your personal character and style. In TRIM CARPENTRY TECHNIQUES, an experienced finish carpenter details designing, selecting and installing interior trim, the finishing touches on any building or remodeling project. In TRIM CARPENTRY TECHNIQUES you will find practical instruction on hanging doors, setting windows, buying or making molding and installing it, selecting the right tools for the job, and finishing the trimwork with appropriate paint or varnish. Included are solutions to common problems, especially found in older homes, such as: walls that our out of plumb, floors that aren't level, and doors that aren't quit square. Each technique is fully illustrated with photos and detailed line drawings.

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Customer Reviews

I am currently in the middle of a massive remodeling project in my house. I bought this book to learn some simple techniques for installing the molding that was so easy to rip out, but is a pain to put back in. I read the book from cover to cover and I found that the book lacked on illustrations/pictures. Most of the explanations are only given in paragraph form, and was hard to follow for me. This is the only do it yourself book that I regret buying from !

An outstanding book for anyone interested in trim carpentry from the novice to the more experienced carpenter! Very thorough, yet easy to understand dicussions of each aspect of trim carpentry with excellent illustrations to accompany the text. As an experienced do-it-your-selfer with quite a bit of woodworking experience, this book was a delight to read and use. Highly recommended!

Great book on trim carpentry techniques for pros or someone who wants to do a professional quality job. Written from the practical viewpoint of an experienced pro with high standards. A bit of overkill if you are in a hurry but I would recommend it before trimming several rooms yourself or even if you want to check your contractor's work.

Very good book for baseboard, crown, door and window moldings. It has tons of pictures and illustrations. On the top of the cover of the book it says: "For Pros/ By Pros". I would agree with this assesment; but it is easy enough for a handyman type with little molding experience like me to follow also. After looking through this book, I was tearing out old molding with abondon and the confidence that I could do a good job of getting nice new stuff back in.

That Savage is possibly the best trim man in the country is amply demonstrated in this well illustrated how-to book. In fact, there may be TOO many color photos of his projects, all impossibly intricate, unpainted, and perfect. Real-world DIYers, on the other hand, need to know what to do with coved corners that don't quite match up, or angles (like the one I encountered yesterday) that purport to be 90 degrees, but are actually 94, and, frankly, how to disguise their trim mistakes.Savage has little time for the incautious amateurs among us, and in his impatience he sometimes appears to be showing off... as when he gives an impossibly intricate formula for figuring compound angles on crown molding. (A detailed table of bevel and miter angles would have been far easier to use.) Still, if your skills and equipment are top-notch, or if you plan to hire somebody to trim out a big project to museum-piece specs, Savage's book will give you plenty of ideas from many different trim styles.Except for stairways, which are mysteriously absent from the book.

I was looking for a well layed out reference guide that I could learn a few tricks of the trade. This book seemed to spend way to much time setting the reader up for the first day on the job (back in the 70's and 80's mind you), then long-winded yet sparse information on actual methods of trim carpentry.If you are willing to read a book from cover to cover on this subject here's your ticket. But

if your looking for concise writting, logical up-to-date illustrations, a book that you can easily reference in a pinch, you might want to steer clear.

I should have paid more attention to the description, "for Pros by Pros" I am not a pro. If I had looked at the book in a store I would have known it was not helpful for a DIY'er. After spending 5 minutes thumbing through it I put it down, I need to know how to trim a particulary challenging job, I don't have time to read a textbook.

Not very good; Trim Carpentry (For Pros By Pros) or Taunton's Trim Complete: Expert Advice from Start to Finish are much better books. I bought the book to learn how to do, especially, various kinds of door and window trim. Very similar to demo videos on-line, or on This old house or GTV. The Taunton books are well designed and well-written. By contrast, Trim Carpentry Techniques: Installing Doors, Windows, Base and Crown is a bit dated and 'clunky.'

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